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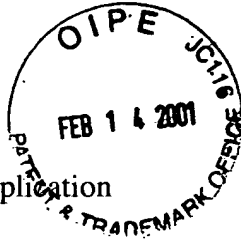
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In re Application of:

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Serial Number: New Application

Filed: October 31, 2000



For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RAPIDLY SWITCHING BETWEEN
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3. to issue an Official Filing Receipt indicative of the October 31, 2000 Filing Date.

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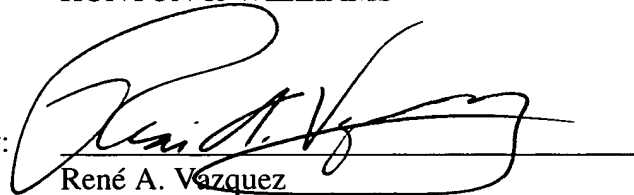
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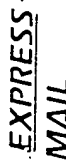
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